MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOHN HILLS,
OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Referring to your letter of August twenty-sixth, I am returning to you herewith, approved, the draft of the President's letter of transmittal to Congress of the Fourth Quarterly Report on Greek-Turkey Aid.

Will you please phone me when you are ready to discuss the matter of a proposed release date.

WILLIAM J. HOPKINS
Executive Clerk

Copy of draft letter retained in file.
August 26, 1948

Mr. William J. Hopkins
Executive Clerk
The White House

Dear Mr. Hopkins:

Attached is the letter prepared for
the President's transmittal to Congress
of the Fourth Quarterly Report on Greek-
Turkey Aid. This letter has been cleared
by Mr. Lovett.

It will take approximately two weeks
more before the report is printed and
ready for release. We will check with
Mr. Ayer's office prior to this time to
arrange for signature and release date.

[Signature]

[Handwritten note: This has been cleared]
[Handwritten note: with Mr. Ayer]
[Handwritten note: Signed by John W. Winant]
Letter of Transmittal

To the Congress of the United States

Transmitted herewith in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 75 (80th Congress, 1st session, 80 Stat. 103) is the fourth quarterly report of expenditures and activities in conjunction with the program for Aid to Greece and Turkey.

This legislation was enacted at a critical juncture in the history of the struggle for peace, involving the right of small nations to self-determination of their future. The conspicuous success of this program in enabling the people of Greece to meet the military and economic crisis which confronted them, and in supporting the Turkish determination to remain independent in the face of external pressure, has contributed significantly toward stabilizing this strategic area of the world in the interest of world peace.